



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jerod O. Shelby et al.  
 Application No. : 09/988,868  
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 For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TISSUE BIOPSY USING  
 ULTRASONIC IMAGE

Examiner : Ali M. Imam  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2003, please extend the period of time for response three (3) months, to expire on October 11, 2003. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 10 of this paper and include an attached Replacement Sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.